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Presbyteries

RED RIVER PRESBYTERY.

Met in the First Presbyterian church, Monroe, La., April 16, 1912, at 8 P. M. By request of the Moderator, Rev. W. F. O'Kelly, the opening sermon was preached by Rev. H. L. Walton. Having been appointed to preach the Presbyterian sermon, Rev. Mr. Walton preached on the subject assigned, "Local Home Missions."

There were eight ministers and eight ruling elders in attendance.

Officers: Rev. H. L. Walton, Moderator, and Elder R. T. Glassell, Temporary Clerk.

Foreign Missions: Reports from the churches reveal an increasing interest in this cause. Three churches have reached the \$4.00 standard. During one evening an interesting and helpful popular meeting was held in the interest of Foreign Missions. Rev. Jasper K. Smith, D. D., spoke on the "Significant Phases of our Foreign Mission Work—at Home;" Mr. R. T. Glassell spoke on "The Chattanooga Laymen's Convention;" and Rev. H. L. Walton spoke on the "Significant Phases of our Foreign Mission Work—Abroad."

Home Missions: The Home Mission Committee reported gratifying results from the work of the past year. Three churches are now engaged in providing houses of worship, and there is prospect of an early supply of all the vacant fields within our bounds. Presbytery heartily recommended the continuation of the plan to maintain a pastor-evangelist.

Overture: That the column in the Statistical report, marked "Pastor's Salary Actually Paid," be discontinued and that said amount be included under the head of "Congregational."

Systematic Benevolence: Five churches report the adoption of the Assembly's Plan. A free discussion upon the subject revealed the fact that other churches have the most important features of the Assembly's Plan in operation.

Reports to the Assembly: The reports to the General Assembly show an increase in total contributions of \$4,300. Of this increase, \$2,300 is for Benevolences.

Next Meeting: Alabama church, October 22, 1912, at 2:30 P. M.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Dr. Newman and the people of his church for the generous hospitality accorded the Presbytery.

H. M. McLain, S. C.

ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

Met at Burlington, N. C., April 16, 1912. Twenty-seven ministers and thirty-two elders were in attendance. Six ministers were absent and forty-one churches were not represented.

The opening sermon was preached by the retiring Moderator, Rev. H. S. Bradshaw on the text, Acts 13:38-9. The subject of the sermon, "The awakening of the Spirit of Evangelism," was by appointment of Presbytery.

The Rev. W. T. Thompson, Jr., was elected Moderator, and Dr. E. C. Murray, and Rev. G. W. Lee, Temporary Clerks. The Rev. Mr. Lee was recently ordained and installed pastor of the newly organized Presbyterian church of Winston, N. C., which was reported.

The pastoral relation between the Rev. J. A. Wilson and the Alamance and Bethel churches was dissolved. Three churches in the Presbytery, Winston First, Westminster, and Lexington, reported considerable increase in pastor's salaries. The Rev. Messrs. E. R. Leyburn, D. D., and C. E. Hodgkin, and Ex-Governor R. B. Glenn and J. A. Rankin, were elected Commissioners to the General Assembly.

The overtures sent down from the Assembly (1) on the amendment to the Confession of Faith, Chapt. 10, Sec. 3, was approved; (2) the amendment to Book of Church Order, Par. 235, was approved; (3) the amendment of Book of Church Order, Chap. 5, Sec. 7, Par. 94, was approved; (4) in answer to the Amendment to the Form of Government, having in view the making of a Synod a Court in regular gradation, the Presbytery advised that it be not adopted.

The following overture to the Assembly was adopted: "To order the Committee of Publication in preparing blanks for Systematic Benevolence, to insert a column for Synodical Schools and Colleges."

The Rev. J. L. Yandell, of Transylvania Presbytery, U. S. A., was received, and enrolled; also one candidate, Mr. Kermitt Whittington, of Bethel church,

was received under the care of Presbytery. The Orphans' Home, Davidson College, The Southern Presbyterian College and Conservatory of Music, and the Glade Valley High School, were all ably represented by Supt. Walker, Dr. Lingle, Dr. Vardell, and Rev. W. F. Hollingsworth, respectively.

The report on Systematic Benevolence is as follows:

Foreign Missions,	\$18,786
Assembly Home Missions,	1,930
Local Home Missions,	9,718
Christian Education and Ministerial Relief,	20,806
Sabbath School Extension and Publication,	800
Bible Cause,	254
Orphan's Home,	5,846
Total	\$58,140

The Presbytery adjourned to meet in Special Session on June 10, 1912, in Westminster church, Greensboro, N. C.
Stated Clerk.

MOBILE PRESBYTERY.

Met in Central church, Mobile, April 16, 1912. On account of a heavy rain storm the opening sermon was deferred until the following morning at 11 o'clock. Presbytery was called to order by Rev. W. H. Rowe, retiring Moderator.

Officers: Elder J. H. Wienand was chosen Moderator, and Elder W. S. Neal Temporary Clerk.

Foreign Missions: An exhaustive report was made by the chairman of the Committee. A half hour prayer service was devoted to the interests of this cause.

Home Missions: Local Home Missions received special attention, and it is hoped that our destitutions may soon be overcome. Two good fields are now available for active pastors.

Organizations: Committees were appointed for the purpose of organizing churches at two points, Axis and Yredebunburg.

Candidates: The Presbytery has under its care five candidates for the ministry, all of whom are in course of preparation for their work.

The spiritual condition of Presbytery is hopeful, and the contributions to benevolent causes greater than ever before.

Assembly matters: Presbytery withheld its consent to make a Synod a regular court in gradation. Also refused to consent to change par. 235, but gave its consent to the proposition to create a Judicial Tribunal.

Resignation: Rev. C. W. McCulley tendered his resignation of the Camden church. The church was cited to show cause, if any, why the dissolution should not take place.

Next Meeting: Next meeting will be held at Stockton.

Thanks: A hearty vote of thanks was extended to Central church as host, and to the Committee of ladies in particular for an abundant lunch.

The pleasure of the meeting was greatly marred by the absence of Rev. E. A. Smith, Stated Clerk. Bro. Smith is an active presbyter, and his counsels were greatly missed. His physical condition is not at all encouraging.

It was resolved: That we are deeply pained at the enforced absence of our Stated Clerk, and hereby express our sympathy for him and his family, and assure them of our prayers for divine grace and help.

D. A. Planck,
Stated Clerk, pro. tem.

THE PRESBYTERY OF POTOSI.

Met in the Oak Ridge Presbyterian church April 23rd at 7:30 P. M. Rev. F. L. Delaney, pastor-elect of the Malden church, preached the opening sermon from Colossians 2:9-10. Eight ministers and ten ruling elders were in attendance.

Officers: Rev. J. Duncan Harley, Moderator and Ruling Elder M. G. La Pierre, Temporary Clerk.

Corresponding Members: Rev. Dr. E. C. Gordon, of Lafayette Presbytery, Secretary of Synod's Committee of Home Missions. Rev. F. L. Delaney, of Presbytery of Norfolk, and Rev. Wm. E. Beattie, of Presbytery of Highland, U. S. A.

Belgrade church organized by Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Richardson, Synodical Evangelist, and Rev. Newton Smith with twenty members and Mr. T. E. Byrd as Ruling Elder and Mr. R. C. Bryan as deacon was enrolled. Rev. Thos. H. Watkins, of Charlottesville, chairman of the Executive Committee on Sabbath Schools and church societies was detained at home by the condition of the Mississippi river flood, consequently his report was not before Presbytery. All the other Executive Committees on the Assembly's benevo-

lent causes presented reports which were well prepared and of unusual interest.

Local Home Missions: The reports of Rev. Lynn F. Ross, chairman and treasurer of this Committee were full and very satisfactory. In this connection, Rev. Dr. Gordon addressed Presbytery, giving information respecting the work of Synod's Committee of Home Missions. This address was highly appreciated and Dr. Gordon was commended for his efficient labors within our bounds. Sabbath School Institute. The Ad Interim Committee appointed at last stated meeting, of which Elder A. G. Mathewson is chairman, had made full preparation for this Institute, which was a decided success as is evident from the fact that Presbytery instructed Rev. Thos. H. Watkins, the chairman of the S. S. Committee to employ a Sabbath school missionary at a salary of \$900, and directed that an appeal be made to the Sabbath schools of the Presbytery for contributions to the amount of at least \$200 towards his support. Presbytery also ordered that a two days' Sunday School Institute be held at Cape Girardeau in August, as such date as the committee may designate.

Sermons: Rev. J. E. Flow, who presided at the Institute, preached on Wednesday night from 2 Timothy 2:24, showing the duty of personal work for Christ in winning souls to him, especially in the Sabbath school, which is a bountiful field for such work. Rev. Lynn F. Ross preached on Wednesday from Genesis 18:19; theme, "Family Religion;" this was the Presbyterian sermon. And Rev. C. E. Hickok preached from — on Thursday night after the adjournment of Presbytery. These services were highly appreciated by the members and adherents of Oak Ridge, who have preaching services only on fifth Sabbaths and one week night each month.

Brazeau and First Apple Creek churches were granted permission to employ Rev. Wm. E. Beattie as Stated Supply for six months.

Overtures of the Assembly: 1. Presbytery declines to consent to the proposed Judicial Tribunal. 2. Approves of the amendment touching the Elect Infant Clause. 3. Declines to take action on the overture amending par. 235, Book of Church Order, owing to the fact that the word "No" is omitted from the text. 4. Advises that no change be made in the present status of Synod.

Rev. Newton Smith was elected Alternate Commissioner to the General Assembly, vice Rev. J. J. Squire, who is about to be dismissed in order that he may take charge of a church in St. Louis Presbytery.

The narrative was interesting and encouraging, giving the welcome intelligence that several candidates for the ministry had been found; and that the late Charles Birtwright (colored), of Clarkton, had bequeathed to Stillman Institute, of Tuscaloosa, Ala., property worth near \$50,000.

Condolence: Rev. Thos. D. Latimer, of Charleston, ex-pastor of the Westminster church of that place, and Mrs. Mary Ann Smith, wife of Rev. Newton Smith, pastor of the Bellevue group of churches, having been removed by death since the last stated meeting of Presbytery, resolutions of sympathy with Mrs. Latimer and her children and Rev. Newton Smith and children were adopted, after which prayer was offered by Rev. C. E. Hickok.

Adjourned Meeting: Presbytery resolved to hold an adjourned meeting at Cape Girardeau May 11, 1912, at 2:30 P. M., at which time it is expected that Revs. F. L. Delaney and J. F. Lawson will be received and arrangements made for their installation as pastors of the Malden and First Cape Girardeau churches, respectively. The next stated meeting to be held in the Clarkton church on Tuesday, September 24, 1912, at 7:30 P. M. The Presbyterian sermon to be preached then by Rev. Thos. H. Watkins on "The Sabbath."

After a heart-felt vote of thanks to the good people of Oak Ridge for their genial and cordial hospitality, Presbytery adjourned.

Remarks: This meeting was held under difficulty, owing to frequent heavy rains the railroad service was impaired, tracks were damaged, trains not on time, had to run very slowly, yet there were many wrecks, rendering traveling unsafe. As a result several members declined to attend the meeting and some who did were quite late in appearance.

George W. Harlan, Stated Clerk.

"The measure of a man's real character is what he would do if he knew it would never be found out."